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9 10 11	BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
12 13	In the Matter of the First Amended Statement of Issues Against: WALTER OCAMPO ANDERSON	Case No. 20-2009-200421 OAH Case No. 2010061378
14 15	1854 Thibodo Road, #104 Vista, California, 92081	FIRST AMENDED STATEMENT OF ISSUES
16	Applicant.	
17	Complainant alleges:	
18	PARTIES AND APPLICATION HISTORY	
19	1. Linda K. Whitney (Complainant) brings this First Amended Statement of Issues	
20	solely in her official capacity as the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California,	
21	Department of Consumer Affairs ("Board" or "Medical Board").	
22	2. On or about February 1995, August 1999 and May 2005, the Medical Board received	
23	applications for a Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate from Walter Ocampo Anderson	
24	("Applicant"). Each of these applications was closed by Board staff after Applicant failed to	
25	provide documents and information necessary to complete the application process. In October	
26	2006, Applicant filed a fourth licensing application. That application was closed on October 19,	
27	2006, after Applicant failed to respond to a letter from Board staff requesting additional	
28	documentation. Thereafter, Applicant began to submit some of the requested documents. On	

October 20, 2008, Applicant filed a fifth licensing application to update his expired October 2006 application. Between October, 2008 and March, 2009, Board staff reviewed and analyzed the materials submitted by Applicant. Applicant thereafter declined to submit some of the additional documentation requested by Board staff. Based on its review of the available information, the Board denied the application on March 23, 2009. Applicant thereafter requested a hearing on the denial.

JURISDICTION

- 3. This First Amended Statement of Issues is brought before the Medical Board of California¹ under the authority of the following laws:²
 - 4. Section 480 of the Code states:
 - "(a) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the grounds that the applicant has one of the following:
 - "(1) Been convicted of a crime. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.
 - "(2) Done any act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit with the intent to substantially benefit himself or herself or another, or substantially injure another.
 - "(3) Done any act that if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license.

¹ The term "board" means the Medical Board of California. "Division of Licensing" shall also be deemed to refer to the Medical Board. (Bus. and Prof. Code, § 2002.)

² All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

"The board may deny a license pursuant to this subdivision only if the crime or act is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which application is made."

- 5. Section 2184 of the Code states, in pertinent part, that:
 - "(a) ...
- "(b) Passing scores on a written examination shall be valid for a period of 10 years from the month of the examination for purposes of qualification for licensure in California.
- 6. Section 2221 of the Code states, in pertinent part, that:
- "(a) The Division of Licensing may deny a physician's and surgeon's certificate to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct or of any cause that would subject a licensee to revocation or suspension of his or her license"
- 7. Section 2234 of the Code states, in pertinent part, that the Board "shall take action against any licensee who is charged with unprofessional conduct." Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to:
 - "(a) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, assisting in or abetting the Violation of, or conspiring to violate any provision of this chapter [Chapter 5 of the Medical Practice Act].

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- "(e) The commission of any act involving dishonesty or corruption which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon.
 - "(f) Any action or conduct which would have warranted the denial of a certificate."
- 8. Section 2236 of the Code states, in pertinent part, that:
- "(a) The conviction of any offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter [Chapter 5, the Medical Practice Act]. The record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred.

- "(d) A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction after a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this section and Section 2236.1. The record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence of the fact that the conviction occurred."
- 9. Section 2305 of the Code provides that the revocation, suspension or other discipline, restriction or limitation imposed by another state upon a license or certificate to practice medicine issued by that state, or the revocation suspension or restriction of the authority to practice medicine by any agency of the federal government, that would have been grounds for discipline in California shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct in this state.

10. Section 141 of the Code provides:

- "(a) For any licensee holding a license issued by a board under the jurisdiction of a department, a disciplinary action taken by another state, by any agency of the federal government, or by another country for any act substantially related to the practice regulated by the California license, may be ground for disciplinary action by the respective state licensing board. A certified copy of the record of the disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or by another country shall be conclusive evidence of the events related therein.
- "(b) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from applying a specific statutory provision in the licensing act administered by the board that provides for discipline based upon a disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or another country."
- 11. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1329.2, states: "The ten year period described in section 2184(b) of the code is not tolled by the filing of an application for licensure, but continues to run during the application process until such time as all other requirements for licensure have been satisfied."

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FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Criminal Convictions)

- 12. Applicant's application is subject to denial under Section 480(a)(1), (a)(2), and (a) (3); and/or Section 2221; and/or Section 2234(a), (e) and (f); and/or Section 2236, of the Code, in that on or about September 20, 2002, in a criminal proceeding entitled *United States of America v. Walter Ocampo Anderson*, United States District Court Southern District of Mississippi No. 02-CR-00097, Applicant was convicted by plea of guilty to felony offenses of money laundering and bank fraud. The convictions arose out of Applicant's medical practice billing practices which resulted in false and fraudulent billings to Mississippi's Medicaid program in excess of \$3,000,000.00. Applicant was sentenced to 30 months imprisonment, followed by 3 years of court supervised probation.
- 13. Therefore, Applicant's application is subject to denial in that he has been convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon in violation of section 480, subdivisions (a)(1) and (a)(3); and/or Section 2221, and/or Section 2234(a) and 2236 of the Code.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Unprofessional Conduct/Dishonesty)

14. In 1999, Applicant was indicted in Hinds County, Mississippi and charged with multiple counts of conspiracy and fraud arising out of fraudulent billing practices engaged in by Applicant and his son in the course of Applicant's psychiatric practice. Applicant was thereafter named as a defendant in a civil action brought by the Mississippi Attorney General Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. The Mississippi state actions were resolved by dismissal of the state criminal action, and the issuance of an Agreed Order in the civil action. The terms of the September 10, 2001, Agreed Order included more than \$3,000,000 in civil penalties, and an agreement that Applicant would never practice medicine in Mississippi and would never submit Medicaid or Medicare claims in Mississippi.

15. Therefore, Applicant's application is subject to denial for unprofessional conduct, and/or dishonest or corrupt acts substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a physician, and cause for denial exists pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 2234 and/or 2234(e).

THIRD CAUSES FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Out of State Discipline)

- 16. The allegations of the First and Second Causes for Denial, above, are incorporated herein.
- 17. On or about January 16, 2002, the Mississippi Board of Medical Licensure issued an Agreed Order Not to Practice or Renew License against Applicant. Applicant agreed never to seek reinstatement or renewal, and never to apply for a new license to practice medicine in Mississippi. The basis for the Mississippi Board's action was Applicant's criminal activity as set forth above.
- 18. On or about October 30, 2002, the Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners issued an Order revoking Applicant's Alabama license, based on the Mississippi disciplinary order described above.
- 19. On or about March 11, 2004, the Indiana Medical Licensing Board issued Findings of Fact and Order, revoking Applicant's Indiana medical license. The Indiana discipline order was based on the Applicant's criminal history, a false statement on a license renewal application, and the disciplinary order of the Mississippi Board as described above.
- 20. On or about May 30, 2002, the Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing issued an Order revoking Applicant's Utah medical license. The Utah disciplinary action was based on criminal conduct in Mississippi and the disciplinary order of the Mississippi Board as described above.
- 20. Respondent's conduct, and the action of the Mississippi, Alabama, Indiana and Utah medical licensing boards, constitutes unprofessional conduct and cause for denial pursuant to sections 141 and/or 2305 of the Code.

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FOURTH CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

21. Applicant's application is further subject to denial under Section 2184 of the Code and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1329.2, in that his written licensing exam scores are over 10 years old and are no longer valid. Specifically, per documentation provided by Applicant, his written licensing exam scores were received in 1993 and 1994. Therefore, Applicant's application is subject to denial because he no longer possesses a valid passing score on the required written examination.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision:

- 1. Denying the application of Walter Ocampo Anderson for a Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate:
 - 2. Taking such other and further action as deepred necessary and proper

DATED: October 21, 2010.

LINDA K. WHITNEY

Executive Director

Medical Board of California

State of California Complainant

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